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## SECURITY ORDER

35 U.S.C. §§181-188

Including:

Permit for Disclosing Subject Matter to Government Employees and Other Specified Persons  
("Permit A")

The above-identified patent application contains subject matter the unauthorized disclosure of which would, in the opinion of the sponsoring defense agency be detrimental to the national security.

**ALL PRINCIPALS<sup>1</sup> IN THIS APPLICATION ARE ORDERED TO KEEP THE SUBJECT MATTER THEREOF IN SECURITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. §181.**

The subject matter of this application may not be published or disclosed to any person except as specifically authorized herein or subsequently authorized by written modification of this Security Order granted by the Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks (see 37 CFR §5.5).

Unauthorized publication or disclosure of the subject matter of this patent application may result in abandonment of the application (35 U.S.C. §182) and additionally subject the person publishing or disclosing the subject matter to the penalties of 35 U.S.C. §186.

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The subject matter of this application must be safeguarded under conditions that will provide adequate protection and prevent access by unauthorized persons. When copies of the subject matter are no longer needed, they should be destroyed by a method that will prevent disclosure of the contents or reconstruction of the document.

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Any other patent application already or hereafter filed in the U.S. or any foreign country which contains any significant part of the subject matter of the above-identified patent application also falls within the scope of this Order. If such other patent application is not currently under a Secrecy Order imposed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, it and the common subject matter must be brought to the immediate attention of:

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This Order should not be construed in any way to mean that the U.S. Government has adopted or contemplates adoption of the invention disclosed in this application and it is not any indication of the value of such invention. Additionally, this Order is not an indication in and of itself that the subject matter of this application is or should be classified.

This Secrecy Order was recommended to the Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks by the following sponsoring defense agency:

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Questions regarding the reasons for imposing this Secrecy Order should be directed to the sponsoring defense agency. A contact for each defense agency is attached. Questions regarding the substantive examination of the patent application should be directed to the patent examiner, and questions pertaining to the administrative handling of the application or the Secrecy Order should be directed to the Licensing and Review Branch of the Patent & Trademark Office.

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The principals designated in this Order are authorized to disclose the subject matter to any person of the classes hereafter specified if such person is known to the principal disclosing to

be concerned directly in an official capacity with the subject matter, provided that all reasonable safeguards are taken to otherwise protect the invention from unauthorized disclosure. The specified classes are:

- a. any officer or employee of any department, independent agency or bureau of the Government of the United States; or
- b. any person designated specifically by the head of any department, independent agency or bureau of the Government of the United States, or by his duly authorized subordinate, as a proper individual to receive the subject matter.

Principals under this Order are further authorized to disclose the subject matter of this application to the minimum necessary number of persons of known loyalty and discretion, employed by or working with the principals or their licensees and whose duties involve cooperation in the development, manufacture or use of the subject matter by or for the Government of the United States, provided such persons are advised of the issuance of this Order.

The provisions of this permit do not in any way lessen responsibility for the security of the subject matter as imposed by any Government contract or the provisions of existing laws relating to espionage and national security.



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Director, Special Laws Administration



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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
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SUBJECT: Request for Secrecy Order

The following identified application has been examined by the Air Force, under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 181.

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This is to notify you in accordance with the above examination that the publication or disclosure of the invention by the granting of a patent therefor would be detrimental to the national security. It is accordingly requested that you order the invention be kept secret and withhold the grant of a patent for such period as the national interest requires.

It is further requested that the following Secrecy order issue

- ☐ Secrecy Order and Permit for Foreign Filing in Certain Countries  
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Level of Classification \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Secrecy Order - It is further requested that this Secrecy Order issue with
  - ☒ Permit A (PTO 229)
  - ☐ No Permit

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